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February 26, 2009

«OwnerName»
«OwnerAddress1»
«OwnerAddress2»
«OwnerAddress3»

RE: **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER SEWER USER FEE INCREASES,
PLACER COUNTY SEWER SERVICE AREA NO. 28, ZONE NO. 23 (BLUE CANYON)**

Assessor's Parcel Number: «APN_APN»

Site Address: «SiteAddress»

Dear Customer,

Our records indicate that you are the owner of the property identified by the assessor's parcel number shown above. Sewer service to this parcel is provided by Placer County Sewer Service Area (CSA) No. 28, Zone No. 23 – Blue Canyon. **On May 12, 2009 at 11:00 a.m., the Placer County Board of Supervisors will hold a public hearing to consider increases to the sewer user fees charged for this CSA. The Board will also consider written protests concerning the increases. The hearing will take place in the County Administrative Center, Board of Supervisors' Chambers, 175 Fulweiler Avenue, Auburn CA 95603.** You may attend the hearing in person or send written comments to the Board at the same address.

The current sewer service charge for a single unit of service is **\$36.00** per month. The CSA proposes to increase this fee to **\$43.20** per month effective July 1, 2009, and **\$51.84** per month effective July 1, 2010. These increases are needed because the CSA must generate funds for repairs of the leachfield used by the community septic system. Our goal is to keep \$50,000 in reserve for this purpose; however, our current reserves total only \$20,000 and are not increasing. It is likely that we will need to replace the leachfield within the next two to four years. Without these fee increases the CSA will not have the resources available to replace the leachfield and remain in compliance with State and local regulations.

The recommended fee is the monthly rate for a single-family residence. Most customers are billed for this service on their annual property tax statement. If your parcel is used for purposes other than a single-family residence, you may be billed more or less than the listed amount. If you are unsure as to the number of units of service your parcel is billed for, please feel free to call the telephone number listed below for clarification.

If you object to the proposed increases in the monthly service charges described in this notice, you may file a written protest with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors. Written protests can be mailed, presented at the public hearing, or personally delivered to: Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, County of Placer, 175 Fulweiler Avenue, CA 95603.

11476 C Avenue Auburn CA 95603
Entrance at 2855 2nd Street

A valid protest must contain:

- A description of the property (such as an address and/or assessor's parcel number) that is sufficient to identify the property.
- Written evidence that the signer is the owner of the property, if the signer is different than the person to whom this notice is addressed.

If a majority of affected property owners file written protests, the proposed rate changes will not be imposed. State law provides that only the written protests of property owners may be considered to determine if a majority protest exists. No more than one protest per property may be submitted.

If you would like further information regarding the proposed fee increases, please call (530) 889-6846. You may also visit our website at www.placer.ca.gov/sewer.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Durfee', with a horizontal line extending from the end of the signature.

James Durfee, Director
Facility Services Department

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